(a) the names of the officers who were granted loans by the State (1) for the purchase of conveyances and (2) for the construction of houses, etc., during the year 1104;

(b) the names of the officers to whom loans were refused by the Government and the reason for the refusal in each case?

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—(a) and (b) Lists containing the information called for are placed on the Council Table.

Construction of a bridge at Kumbuzha.

43. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state what is the result of the inquiry by the Superintendent of Agriculture and Panchayats referred to in the answer to question No. 418 of the Legislative Session of 1104?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—The bridge-work was found to be too big to be undertaken by the Panchayat Department. Government have, therefore, referred the matter to the Chief Engineer.

Sirkar Elephants.

44. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the names of all Sirkar Elephants;

(b) the expenditure on account of each of them and the income of each during the year 1104?

Mr. K. Ramunni Menon.—(a)

1. Balakrishnan (died on 25th Medam 1104).
2. Raman.
3. Ramavarman.
4. Kuttisankaran (with H. H. the Elayaraja).
5. Gopalan.
6. Ayyappan.
7. Subramanian (at Trippunittura temple).
8. Narayanan.
9. Lekshmanan.
10. Krishnan.
11. Padmanabhan (died on 9th Kanni 1104).
12. Ravivarman.
13. Gopalankutti.
14. Sarada.
15. Durga (died on 24th Edavam 1104).

	Expenditure. Rs. A. P	*Income.* Rs. A. P.
1. Balakrishnan (died on 25th Medam 1104)	213 5 3	487 0 0
2. Raman	555 8 7	339 0 0
3. Ramavarman	346 9 3	419 8 0
4. Kuttisankaran (with H. H. the Elayaraja)	126 7 0	..
5. Gopalan	230 5 0	379 0 0
6. Ayyappan	230 6 0	375 0 0

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7.	Subramanian (at Tripunittura temple)	132	5	0	23	0	0
8.	Narayanan	406	4	1	218	0	0
9.	Lekshmanan	434	2	7	222	8	0
10.	Krishnan	454	10	6	319	0	0
11.	Padmanabhan (died on 9th Kanni 1104)	48	10	0	..		
12.	Ravivarman	376	6	1	..		
13.	Gopalankutti	246	4	0	..		
14.	Sarada	92	15	6	..		
15.	Durga (died on 24th Edavam 1104)	51	11	0	...		
	Total	.. 3,945	13	10	2,782	0	0

Chief Engineer's recent tour to Bombay.

45. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the object of the recent tour of the Chief Engineer to Bombay;

(b) the names of Government servants who accompanied him and the amount of travelling allowance drawn by him and by those who accompanied him respectively ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—(a) The journey was in connection with His Excellency the Viceroy's visit.

		T. A
(b)	Chief Engineer	Rs. 541—0—0
1.	V. Padmanabha Ayyar, Chief Chauffeur	Rs. 263—8—0
2.	K. Manikka Menon, Clerk	Rs. 92—2—0
3.	P. M. Narayanan Nayar, Peon	Rs. 48—1—0

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The answer is "the journey was in connection with His Excellency the Viceroy's visit." That is too vague an answer. I want to know what necessitated the Government to undertake such a costly journey at the expense of nearly one thousand rupees, what was the purpose, what all things he did there, etc.

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—In connection with the purchase of cars and other necessary things for the Viceroy's visit, such as sanitary fittings, etc.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Can't they be purchased through correspondence ?

Mr. M. D. Narayana Ayyar.—No. The things have to be selected. It won't do to select things by correspondence. We cannot get samples of things. Hence they have to be selected, chosen and purchased.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Mr. V. Padmanabha Ayyar, Chief Chauffeur, draws Rs. 263 and odd as T. A. Why was he given more T. A. than the clerk ?

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